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The Order for the Consecration

of

St. John the Evangelist

North Bancouver, B.C.



By the Right Reverend

The Lord Bishop of New Westminster

TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH, 1920

Beruices:

Holy Communion B a. m. Special Consecration Bervice B p. m.



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The Clergy and Choir shall enter the Church, the Choir proceeding to the choir seats. The Clergy remaining awaiting the Bishop in the nave.

The Processional Hymn being No. 387—"The Church's One Foundations."

The Lord Bishop shall be received at the door of the Church by the Clergy (vested) and the Churchwardens.

A Petition in the following form, signed by the petitioners shall be read and presented to the Bishop:

To the Bight Reverend Father in God, Adam, by Divine permission, Bishop of New Westminster:

May it please your Lordship-

We, the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of St. John the Evangelist, having acquired the title in two lots of land, to wit, lots numbered 12 and 3, in block number 72, district lot 548, in the City of North Vancouver, on which there is a Church which we certify to be free from any legencumbrance, Do humbly pray your Lordship to separate from all profane and common use, and to consecrate the said Church and set it apart forever for the worship of Almighty God according to the Rites and Discipline of the Church of England in Canada.

J. HUGH HOOPER, Rector.

W. L. KEENE,

W. I. NORTHCOTE,

Wardens

The Bishop accepting the petition shall answer and say:

Brethren, if this be your desire and the desire of the Congregation, we will now proceed to the act of Consecration.

LET US PRAY.

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

The Bishop, preceded by the Wardens and Clergy, shall then enter the Church, and, going up the midst of it towards the Sanctuary, shall with them sing this,

PSALM-XXIV.

The earth is the Lord's and all that therein is; the compass of the world, and they that dwell therein

For He hath founded it upon the seas; and prepared it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord; or who shall rise up in His Holy place?

Even he that hath clean hands and a pure heart: and that hath not lifted up his mind unto vanity nor sworn to deceive his neighbor.

He shall receive the blessing from the Lord: and righterusness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek Him: even of them that seek Thy face O Jacob.

Lift up your heads O ye gates, and be ye lifted up ye everlasting doors; and the King of Glory shall come in.

Who is the King of Glory; it is the Lord strong and mighty, even the Lord mighty in battle.

Life up your heads O ye gates, and be ye lifted up ye everlasting doors and the King of Gory shall come in.

Who is the King of Glory: even the Lord of Hosts He is the King of Glory.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Then shall the Bishop turn to the people and say:

Dearly beloved in the Lord, forasmuch as devout and holy men, as well under the law as under the Gospel, moved either by the secret inspiration of God, or by their own reason and sense of order and decency, have erected houses for the public worship of God, and have separated them from all profane and common use, ir wast to fill men's minds with greater reverence for His Gloriou: Majesty, and to effect their hearts with more devotion or humility in His service; which pious work our heavenly Father hath vouchsafed to accept and approve:-Let us not doubt but that He will graciously approve this our godly purpose of setting apart this place in solemn manner to religious worship and let us faithfully and devotedly beg His blessing on this our undertaking and say:

Then all breeling down, the Bishop shall pray as follows:

Oh, Eternal God, mighty in power, of majesty incomprehensible, whom the heaven of heavens cannot contain: much less the walls and temples made with hands, and who yet hast been graciously pleased to promise Thy especial presence in whatsoever place even two or three of Thy faithful servants shall assemble in Thy Name to offer up our supplications and their praises to Thee. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to be present with us, who are now gathered together to consecrate this place, with all humility and readiness of heart, to the honor of Thy great name, separating it henceforth from all unhallowed ordinary and common use, dedicating it entirely to Thy service. for celebrating Thy Holy Sac ments, for reading therein Thy most Holy Word, for offering to Thy glorious Majosty the sacrifice of prayer and thanksgiving, for blessing Thy uple in Thy Name and for all other Ho Ordinances; accupt O Lord, this service at our hands, and bless it with such success as may most tend to Thy glory and the salvation of Thy people, through Jesus Christ our Blessed Lord and Saviour. Amen.

Regard O Lord, the supplication that whosoever shall be dedicated Baptism may be sanctified by the Thy wrath and eternal death, and be made a lively member of Christ's Church, may ever remain the number of Thy faithful and elect children.

Thy servants, and grant nee in this House of Chost, delivered from

Grant, O Lord, that all who shall keed before Thee in

this place, to receive Thy blessing in the Laying on of Hands may be strengthened with the Holy Ghost the Comforter, and continuing steadfast in the unity of Thy Church, may daily increase in Thy Holy Spirit more and more until they come to Thine everlasting Kingdom. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that whosoever shall receive in this place the Blessed Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ and drinking His Blood, and being filled with Thy grace and heavenly benediction, they may, to their great and endless comfort, obtain remission of their sins, and all other benefits of His passion; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that they who shall be joined together in this place in the holy Estate of Matrimony, may faithfully perform and keep the vow and covenant betwixt them made, and remain in perfect love and peace together unto their lives' end. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that such as, through Thy mercy have been preserved in the great danger of Childbirth, and shall come to this place, according to their bounden duty, to give Thee thanks for the same, may through Thy help both faithfully live and walk according to Thy will in this life present, and also be partakers of everlasting glory in the life to come. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, to all Thy bereaved children who shall enter into this house, to be filled with the consolations of Thy Holy Spirit, that when the diseases of their souls are healed and all sorrows ended they may be refreshed with the joys of an eternal resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that whosoever shall confess their sins, and offer up their prayers and praises unto Thy divine Majesty in this place, may be kept from all wordly and wandering thoughts; and may draw near unto Thee with such steadfastners of faith, and with such seriousness, sincerity and devous affection of mind, that they may be graciously acceptable in Thy sight. O Lord, pardon their sins, compassionate their infirmities, enlighten and sanctify them by Thy Holy Spirit, and enable them so to serve and worship Thee here below that finally they may be received into Thy presence to praise and glorify Thee for evermore. Amen.

Grant, O Lord, that by Thy Holy Word which shall be read and preached in this place, the hearers thereof may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same. All these

our prayers and supplications we offer in the name and through the medium of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Grant, when they offer of their substance, that their Alms and Oblations may come up as a memorial before Thee, and may be accepted through the Merits and Sacrifices of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Grant, that this Holy place which is here dedicated to Thee by our office and ministry may also be hallowed by the sanctifying power of Thy Holy Spirit, and so forever continue through Thy mercy, O blessed Lord God, who dost live and govern all things without end. Amen.

Cod, the Father, the Son, and the Hely Ghost, be all the gtory for ever and ever. Amen.

Here the Bishop shall cause the Sentence of Consecration to be read.

After which shall be sung the Te Deum.

We praise Thee O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship Thee: the Father everlasting.

To Thee all the Angels cry aloud: the Heavens and all the

Powers therein.

To Thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry.

Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy Glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee.

The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee.

The noble army of Martyrs praise Thee.

The Holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge
Thee.

The Father: of an infinite Majesty;

Thine honorable, true, and only Son;

Also the Holy Ghost: the Comforter.

Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.

Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man: Thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.

When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death: Thou didst open up the Kingdom of Heaven to all believers.

Thou sittest at the right hand of God: in the Glory of the Father.

We believe that Thou shall come to be our Judge.

We therefore pray Thee help Thy servants: whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.

Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints; in glory everlasting.

O Lord save Thy people and bless Thine heritage.

Govern them; and lift them up for ever.

Day by Day: we magnify Thee.

And we worship Thy Name: ever, world without end.

Vouchsafe O Lord; to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord have mercy upon us: have mercy upon us.

O Lord let Thy mercy lighten upon us: as our trust is in Thee.

O Lord, in Thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

Here followeth the Lesson, Eph. ii., 13.

HYMN 361

The Unveiling of Memorial Tablets.

HYMN 219

Here the Lord Bishop will preach to the people:

HYMN 592
THE BENEDICTION
HYMN 166



Parish History

The first service was held in the unorganized missionary district of North Vancouver, on March 26th, 1899, at the home of Mr. A. E. Crickmay, the Rev. H. J. Underhill, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Vancouver, officiating. In August, 1899, at the home of Mr. W. L. Keene, Mr. Underhill was Celebrant at the first Celebration of the Holy Communion in the district.

In October of the same year, regular services were begun by the Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, M.A., D.D., at the home of Mr. J. Burnes. Later, services were held in a small shack at the corner of Thirteenth Street and Londale Avenue.

On October 22nd of the same year the Rev. John Antle, afterwards founder of the Columbia Coast Mission, was appointed first Missionary in charge.

The Rev. D. D. Moore was placed in charge of the work on April 22nd, 1900. In this year, the original Church of St. John the Evangelist was built on the present site, on lots presented by Mr. Edward Mahon. It was formally opened by the Rt. Rev. John Dart, M.A., D.D., on October 28th.

In 1902, the Rev. C. J. Brenton took over the work of the Mission for a short time; the Rev. H. J. Underhill again undertaking the responsibility in 1903 with the assistance of Mr. R. Marsden as lay reader. In 1905 Mr. Marsden went to England to be admitted to Deacon's Orders. During his absence services were conducted by Mr. H. A. Scriven, B.A., afterwards founder of the Chesterfield School for boys. In 1906, Mr. Marsden returned and, in connection with school work as Principal of St. John's College, carried on the services for another year.

In 1907, the Church was enlarged to more than double its original capacity. On August 4th, the Rev. J. Hugh Hooper was appointed first Vicar.

On March 3rd, 1909, the corner stone of the present Church was laid by the Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, D.D.

Messrs Honeyman & Curtis, architects Mr. W. P. Peacey, builder.

On March 31st, 1909, the Mission relinquished the last of the grant from the Diocesan Mission Board and was formally erected into a self-supporting Parish, its defined boundaries being identical with the defined limits of the City of North Vancouver.

Opening services were held in the Church on July 29th, 1909. The Clergy present were: The Ven. Archdeacon Pentreath, D.D., and the Reverends W. Bell, E. R. Bartlett, H. C. L. Hooper, A. A. Dorrell, H. St. George Buttrum, C. E. Butler, A. U. dePencier, H. H. Gillies and the Rector. Rev. A. U. DePencier was the special preacher.

On the following Sunday, August 1st, the Rt. Rev. John Dart, D.D., solemnly set apart the building for purposes of Public Worship and dedicated the following gifts: Altar and Reredos, presented by St. John's Mite Society; Altar Cross by the boys of Chesterfield School; Pulpit by the Senior Branch W.A.; Prayer Desks by the Girls' Branch W.A.; Lectern y Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Keene; Choir Stalls, Credence, Aumbry, and Altar Rail by the Rev. R. Marsden and Mr. J. Friend and the Mite Society; the whole of the seating in the nave by Messrs. H. D. Green-Armytage, B. J. Cornish and T. Nye. Time, given freely by Mr. J. Friend and others of the men who worked on the building; the Clock by Lodge Western Rose, Sons of England, In November, 1909, the Parish Boundaries were altered. The Eastern Boundary from this date following the line of St. Andrew's Avenue from the City limits on the north to Keith Road, thence down St. David Avenue to the water-front.

In the Spring of 1910 the Font was presented by the children of the Junior Girls' Branch W.A. The central pair of stained glass windows in the Baptistry was presented in the following year and the set was completed by the same Branch on May 2nd, 1915.

For Easter, 1913, the following gifts were presented by Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Hanson, and dedicated to the service of the Sanctuary; two pairs of brass Vases, Alms Basin and Altar Desk.

An oak chair for the Sanctuary was presented by the Altar Guild.

When war was declared on August 4th, 1914, there was an immediate response from the manhood of the Parish as the long list of names still hanging in the Church, though incomplete, will testify.

By the first of the next month, St. John's War Guild was in active operation and continued to serve faithfully to the end of the war, having een supported during the whole period by voluntary contributions.

The Boult Memorial Chapel of St. Andrew was formally opened for service on All Saint's Day, 1917. The Screen which forms the Chapel was presented by members of the B. C. Coast Chapters of the Brotherhood of St. Andrews, in memory of Sgt. E. Gilbert Boult. The Altar, by Mr. and Mrs. David Rennoldson, and the Misses Rickaby. The Cross by the Rev. J. H. and Mrs. Hooper. The Vases by Mrs. W. T. Stein, Broad Box and Altar Desk by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Wood, Credence by Mrs. W. T. Grahame, Altar Service Book by Mrs. S. Body.

In 1919 a beautiful Desk in oak was presented for use in the Chancel by Mrs. A. Hudson and an Altar Service book and full set of Markers by her sons Hyla John and Leslie in memory of Reginald Selby Hudson.

At the Annual Meeting Jan. 1st, 1919, it was decided that a sum of \$2250.00 be raised by voluntary contribution, the mortgage on the Church and the debt against the Organ paid our and the building consecrated as a Parochial Memorial to those men of the congregation who fell during the Great War.

An additional sum has been raised to provide for the Memorial Tablet, making the total amount raised for this purpose \$2,400.00.

At this Service a second smaller Tablet will be unveiled in grateful memory of Mr. W. P. Peacey by whom the Church was built.



St. John's Church

North Bancouver, B.C.

LIST OF OFFICERS

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Rector Rev. J. Hugh Hooper
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Alternates—
Messrs. E. N. Maltby, J. R. Chapman, W. J. Northcote.
Organist and Choir Master

